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Inspection service, Mexican border.

El Paso, Tex.—Acting Assisting Surgeon Alexander reports, August 15, 1903, as follows: Week ended August 15, 1903: Inspection Mexican Central passengers, 224; inspection Rio Grande and Pacific passengers, 19; inspection Mexican immigrants, 83; inspection Syrian immigrants, 3; disinfection soiled linen imported for laundry, 512 pieces; disinfection of baggage of 2 passengers, detained, from Monterey; disinfection of baggage of party from Cordova, Mazatlan, and Vera Cruz (these parties proved satisfactory, being absent from place of departure 30 days); detention of 2 passengers 2 days, being out from Monterey only 3 days; detention of 1 passenger 2 days, being out from San Luis Potosi only 3 days; vaccination, 4 persons.

Smallpox epidemic in Sonora, Mexico. Imported into Nogales, Ariz., in October, 1902.

The following is received from Acting Assistant Surgeon Gustetter, at Nogales, under date of August 11: I am in receipt of advices from physicians at Hermosillo and Magdalena, Sonora, that smallpox prevails in those cities. While the number of cases there at present is not very great it is reported to be increasing.

In the latter part of October, 1902, Nogales and adjacent towns were invaded by an epidemic of smallpox, which continued through the winter until February, 1903. This epidemic was known to have been brought here from Mexico. * * *

Yellow fever epidemic in Linares, Mexico—Quarantine at Monterey.

[Telegram.]

LAREDO, Tex., August 26, 1903.

WYMAN, Washington:

Yellow fever is now present in Linares in epidemic form. Monterey has quarantined, requiring five (days ?) detention.

HAMILTON.

Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—Yearly and monthly.

CALIFORNIA—*Oakland*.—Month of July, 1903. Estimated population, 83,000. Total number of deaths, 106, including diphtheria 6, enteric fever 1, whooping cough 1, and 7 from phthisis pulmonalis.

San Diego.—Month of July, 1903. Total number of deaths, 14, including 4 from phthisis pulmonalis.

CONNECTICUT.—Reports to the State board of health for the month of July, 1903, from 168 towns, having an aggregate census population of 908,355, show a total of 1,408 deaths, including diphtheria 19, enteric fever 8, measles 16, scarlet fever 14, whooping cough 23, and 117 from phthisis pulmonalis.